OFFICE OF THE STATE SUPERINTENDENT OF EDUCATION

Notice of Funding Availability

District of Columbia Career Academy Network (DC-CAN)

Request for Application Release Date: June 17, 2015

Application Submission Deadline: July 31, 2015 by 5:00PM

The Office of the State Superintendent of Education (OSSE) is pleased to announce a funding opportunity for the District of Columbia Career Academy Network (DC-CAN). The purpose of this grant is to provide seed money to support the establishment of four additional National Academy Foundation (NAF) Career Academies within one of the following themes: information technology; engineering; hospitality & tourism; health science; or finance at a DCPS or Public Charter high school. Ultimately, this funding will support strategies identified within the District of Columbia's CTE Strategic Plan by preparing students to succeed in college and the District's most promising career sectors. (http://osse.dc.gov/publication/career-and-technical-education-cte-strategic-plan)

The Academy will receive funding to support a full-time Academy Director and a College & Career Coordinator, as well as Academy activities. Funds will be distributed as a cost reimbursement. A total amount available for this opportunity is \$290,000.00. The duration for this grant is for a period from October 1, 2015 through September 30, 2016.

The Request for Application (RFA) for this funding opportunity will be available on June 17, 2015. The RFA will be available on OSSE's website http://osse.dc.gov or by contacting the Division of Postsecondary and Career Education. OSSE will be holding a **mandatory** pre-application conference to answer questions about the RFA on June 23, 2015, from 11:30am to 12:30pm at OSSE – 810 First Street NE, Washington DC 20002 (Room 4002). Absence from this conference will make an applicant ineligible to apply. Please see the full RFA for a detailed timeline of events.

The DC-CAN grant application will open in the Enterprise Grants Management System (EGMS) on June 17, 2015. Applicants must submit the application through EGMS by 5:00 PM on July 31, 2015. Applicants must be a registered vendor of EGMS to access the application. New vendors should allot at least 72 hours for the registration process. Please visit https://grants.osse.dc.gov for more information about EGMS and to view the online application after June 17, 2015.

For additional information after June 17, please contact:

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